

Public Notice is given that the Mayor and Town Council of the Borough of Chambersburg plans to apply for Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) 2010 Program funds allocated to the Borough of Chambersburg in the amount of \$13,592. These funds are designed to aid law enforcement. The application will be available for public review and comment from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM thru June 30, 2010 at the Office of the Borough Secretary, Borough of Chambersburg, 100 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201. The proposed application can also be viewed on-line at [www.borough.chambersburg.pa.us](http://www.borough.chambersburg.pa.us). Comments can be made by calling 717-261-3254.

**JAG 2010 Application - \$13,592.00**  
**BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Application for Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

Formula Program – Local Solicitation

*Enhancing Law Enforcement in the Borough of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania*

**PROGRAM NARRATIVE**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

Due to today's economic environment, police departments are expected to do more but are given less. Police Departments are responding to this need by utilizing available technology. Obtaining the resources to integrate this technology into their current operations has become an increasingly difficult challenge. The Borough of Chambersburg Police Department's budget is under severe strain. Leveraging the resources needed for police departments to obtain technological equipment to position their personnel to effectively prevent and control crime is increasingly more difficult and challenging. The Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Formula Program addresses this challenge and will enable the Borough's Police Department to work more efficiently and provide personnel with the tools they need to prevent and control crime in our municipality.

The Borough of Chambersburg is allocated JAG '10 Formula funds in the amount of \$13,592. As a disparate allocation jurisdiction, the Borough of Chambersburg is the fiscal agent that is submitting this joint application with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. The Franklin County Board of Commissioners has signed off on the required Memo of Understanding (MOU) indicating that they will not be sharing in this particular grant and are allowing the total allocation to be used by the Borough of Chambersburg (and its police department).

The Chambersburg Police Department (Department) currently uses Intoximeters brand Portable Breath Testing devices to help test citizens in the field for DUI and Underage Consumption of Alcohol arrests. Recent Pa Court cases have now made it mandatory that the Department has to calibrate these devices on a regular basis so that they are accurate. The Department can then introduce as evidence the results of the PBT test to assist with the Department's evidence at preliminary hearings and actual court cases. The calibration unit and items needed to get started will cost \$407.00 (Supply)

The Department's Police Crime Impact Unit as part of their duties conducts investigations into illegal drug sales and use. The Department is requesting funding to purchase several surveillance items to conduct the drug investigations and allow them to document the undercover investigations for court prosecution. The items are: MP3 player Camcorder, Pencorder, Digital recorder Pen Flash Drive recorder, Key Fob recorder. Cost is approx. \$480.00 (Supply)

The Department proposes to buy new Special Emergency Team (SET Team) uniforms for the members of the team who need them. Most of the members are using uniforms that are 4 years old or older and they are worn out. The uniforms cost approx \$120.00 a set. \$1073.00 would be budgeted to buy replacement uniforms for the SET Team. (Supply)

The Department proposes to purchase a new Frost Free Refrigerator for the Department Evidence Room. The current one is very old and in danger of malfunctioning. Approximately \$400.00 (Supply)

The Department proposes to purchase 4 Eotech Sights for \$500.00 each. These sights would be mounted on patrol rifles and rifles used by the Department SET team. These sights are very easy to use and help to make use of the weapons more accurate. \$2000.00 (Supply)

The Department proposes to buy a new larger screen TV monitor for the SET Team Command Vehicle (van). Photography and other records are accessed in this vehicle during tactical operations. \$400.00 (Supply)

The Department proposes to purchase two (2) tactical bullet resistant vests for use of the SET Team and Crisis Negotiation Team. Currently there are not enough vests for all team members. 2 vests for \$5000.00 (Equipment)

The Department proposes to buy a custom Sniper rifle for the SET Team. This would include the rifle and related equipment: carrying bag, bipod, sling and scope. \$2900.00 (Equipment)

The Department proposes to purchase a new computer, monitor and related software for a location either in the current police station or for a new work space in the new police annex building so officers can have an additional location to complete investigative reports and related work. \$932.00 (Supply)

Total \$13,592.00

The Department does not intend to retain the allowable 10% for administration of the grant. We will absorb this cost in order to utilize the grant funds for the purposes intended.

## BUDGET AND BUDGET NARRATIVE

### ATTACHMENT 2

The Chambersburg Police Department has identified their top needs as supply and equipment purchases. Purchase Calibration unit and items needed to calibrate PBT devices - \$407.00 (Supply)

Purchase several surveillance items to conduct the drug investigations and allow them to document the undercover investigations for court prosecution - \$480.00 (Supply)

Purchase new Special Emergency Team (SET Team) uniforms. The uniforms cost approx \$120.00 a set. \$1073.00 would be budgeted to buy replacement uniforms for the SET Team. (Equipment)

Purchase a new Frost Free Refrigerator for the Department Evidence Room - \$400.00 (Equipment)

Purchase 4 Eotech Sights for \$500.00 each. These sights would be mounted on patrol rifles and rifles used by the Department SET team. 4 x \$500 = \$2000.00 (Equipment)

Purchase a new larger screen TV monitor for the SET Team Command Vehicle (van) - \$400.00 (Equipment)

Purchase two (2) tactical bullet resistant vests for use of the SET Team and Crisis Negotiation Team. 2 x \$2,500 = \$5000.00 (Equipment)

Purchase a custom Sniper rifle for the SET Team. This would include the rifle and related equipment: carrying bag, bipod, sling and scope. \$2900.00 (Equipment)

Purchase a new computer, monitor and related software for a location either in the current police station or for a new work space in the new police annex building so officers can have an additional location to complete investigative reports and related work. \$932.00 (Equipment)

Total \$13,592.00

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### **REVIEW NARRATIVE**

#### **ATTACHMENT 3**

The JAG application was made available for review by the governing body on May 28, 2010 and June 14, 2010 (complying with the 30-day review by governing body requirement). The governing body placed a legal ad in the local newspaper and attached the application to the municipal and police department websites.

The JAG application was made public at the municipalities Regular Public Council Meeting on June 14, 2010. An opportunity to comment was given during this public meeting. Ongoing opportunities for comment by citizens and neighborhood or community organizations is provided.

The Borough of Chambersburg is part of a disparate jurisdiction. An executed and signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Borough of Chambersburg and the County of Franklin is attached. The County of Franklin has signed off allowing the Borough of Chambersburg to retain the total amount of this '10 JAG Grant. The Borough of Chambersburg will serve as the applicant/fiscal agent for the funds.

### **ABSTRACT**

#### **ATTACHMENT 4**

Applicant's Name: Borough of Chambersburg, Chambersburg Police Department, 100 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201

Title of the Project: LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SUPPLY AND EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Goals of the Project: Improve the efficiency and safety of the Chambersburg Police Department by providing needed supplies and equipment

Strategies Used: The Department intends to purchase a number of items that will improve the efficiency and safety of the municipal police force which consists of 34 full-time police officers (including the Chief of Police), 3 full-time clerical employees and 6 active part-time police officers. These purchases will be made in conformity with the purchasing requirements of the Pennsylvania Borough Code.